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Re: Sierakowski et al.
 Serial No. 10/743,937
 Filing Date 12/23/2003
 Docket No. Liner-602
 For VEHICLE BED LINER

Attn: Group Art Unit 3612
 Examiner Gregory A.
 Blankenship
July AF Amendment

M.S. AF
 Commissioner for Patents
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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 to the Patent and Trademark Office (703 872 9306) on 14 JUL 2005:
Christopher John Rudy 14 JUL 2005.

Thank you for the 04/21/2005 Office communication/action
 (Paper No. 04152005) and the 07/07/2005 Advisory Action (Paper
 No. 06282005) for the present patent application. In reply to
 Paper No. 04152005 and in consideration of Paper No. 06282005,
 please reconsider this application.

CLAIMS AMENDMENTS follow this introductory page.

Claims 1-3, 7, 11, 15, 17 and 20-29 are now present. Less
 than twenty total, to include three independent and zero multiply
 dependent, claims now would be present, and this amendment is
 filed before expiration of the shortened statutory period for
 response; thus, no additional fee is due.

This amendment more particularly points out and distinctly
 claims the invention, and is fully supported by the underlying
 specification to include drawings. No new matter is entered.

This amendment may be entered because it places the case in
 condition for allowance, and no new consideration is required.
 The amendments, in particular, incorporate changes to the claims
 set forth in the AF Amendment filed on June 20, 2005 in address
 of the claim objections and the rejections under 35 USC 112,
 second paragraph, which were set forth in Paper No. 04152005 for
 the first time, noting too that the amendments to hereby canceled
 claims 4, 8 and 12 are in the added material to claim 1 from
 claim 4. Also, although traverse of the outstanding 35 USC
 102(b) and (e) rejections is maintained since the intervening
 ribs of the applied Vitoorapakorn patents render the reasoning of
 the Examiner incorrect, the limitations of claim 4 are placed in
 claim 1, with pertinent claim dependencies corrected to take this
 into consideration. Please, therefore, enter the instant July AF
 Amendment, and issue a Notice of Allowance for this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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